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REMARKS

Applicant cancels claims 10, 31, 32, 42, 48, 52, 60, 65, 77, 83, 85, 87 and 90, and adds new claims 114-165. Therefore, claims 1-9, 11-30, 33-41, 43-47, 49-51, 53-59, 61-64, 66-76, 78-82, 84, 86, 88, 89 and 91-165 are now pending in the application.

The following comments constitute a reply to the Office Action dated May 6, 2004, and a Statement of Substance of Examiner Interview.

As correctly noted in the Examiner Interview Summary attached to the May 6, 2004 Office Action, on April 15, 2004 the Examiner informed Applicant's representative that: (1) claims 31, 42, 44, 47, 83 and 87 contain allowable subject matter because none of the prior art references, applied alone or in any reasonable combination, discloses, teaches, or suggests the feature of storing at least a first and a second set of configuration parameters and outputting difference between the first and second set; and (2) the application would be in condition for allowance if Applicant amended independent claims to include the features of the respective allowable claims, and amended certain dependent claims to avoid the use of "trademark" and/or "copyright" terms.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for recognizing one of the patentable features of Applicant's invention. In order to facilitate the prosecution of the present application, Applicant amends (and cancels as appropriate) the claims as suggested by the Examiner, thereby putting claims 1-9, 11-30, 33-41, 43-47, 49-51, 53-59, 61-64, 66-76, 78-82, 84, 86, 88, 89 and 91-113 in condition for immediate allowance. Applicant notes that, while the amended claims avoid the use of the "trademark" and "copyright" terms, the scope of the claims has not been narrowed to

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exclude any version of the software and/or hardware associated with said “trademark” and “copyright” terms.

Also, Applicant expressly reserves the right to pursue the previously-presented claims in a Continuation Application.

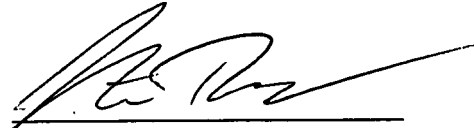
Furthermore, in view of the Examiner’s astute observation as to at least one the separately patentable features of Applicant’s invention, Applicant adds new claims 114-165 more fully to cover the novel aspects of Applicant’s invention, as recognized by the Examiner. Applicant respectfully submits that the new claims 114-165 are allowable at least for the reasons noted in the Examiner Interview Summary, and in the Office Action (Paper No. 37) at paragraph 20: “There’s no output of the difference between the parameters extracted and displayed by Stern, and Danknick” (Id.).

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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